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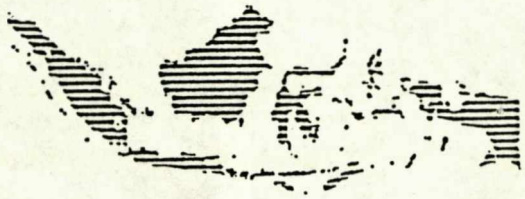

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Leiden, May 20 1990

Dear Sir or Madam,

HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN INDONESIA

Please find enclosed the following documents:

1. The introduction taken from Tapol Occasional Paper no. 12 concerning the visit of Mr. Jan Pronk, Dutch Minister of Cooperation, to Indonesia from 5 to 15 April 1990, in his capacity as Chairman of the Intergovernmental Group on Indonesia (IGGI).

2. The translation of an open letter handed to Mr. Pronk by Indonesian student demonstrators at the railway station in Jogyakarta (Central Java) on 13 April.

3. Xerox-copy of the letter handed to Mr. Pronk by Mr. H.J.C. Princen, Director of the Indonesian Institute for the Defense of Human Rights in Jakarta.

4. "Other Voices from Indonesia", a document prepared by the newly founded human rights organisation Indonesian Front for the Defense of Human Rights (INFIGHT), and presented to Mr. Pronk during a meeting of the Front with the Minister. This copy is a reproduction made by the Indonesian Documentation and Information Centre (INDOC) in Leiden (The Netherlands).

5. A copy of a joint letter sent by our organisations (noted below) today to Mr. Pronk.

The postponement by the Dutch government of Dutch special aid to Indonesia, as a sign of disapproval at the execution of 4 long-term political prisoners in Indonesia last February, has encouraged many activists in Indonesia to speak out and openly voice their criticism of the systematic violations of human rights and the role of the IGGI in condoning and helping to maintain these violations. The visit of Mr. Pronk to Indonesia has given these activists the opportunity to tell him what they cannot tell their own government.

We understand that Mr. Pronk has promised to distribute these letters to the governments of the member countries of the IGGI.

The contents of these documents is so important that we feel they should receive wider publicity. That is the reason we are sending you copies. We take the opportunity to include our own joint letter to Mr.Pronk, in which we raise some other points which are not mentioned in the documents from Indonesia.

We would appreciate it if you could ask your government to pay appropriate attention to these documents.

Thanking you in advance, we remain,

Sincerely yours,

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